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Laura Williams  
Response Section Chief,  
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EPA

Dear Ms. Williams

December 8, 2021

The City of Selfridge would like to request assistance from the EPA Removal Program for a time - critical removal action of at least three possibly, four, properties in the city. (We are trying to contact the owner of the 4<sup>th</sup> property who lives in South America). The 64 S. Main Street has had juveniles start a fire inside of it and has since fallen down completely. The property at 62 S. Main Street has serious foundation issues, and the connected buildings at 75 N Main Street both have large sections of outside walls that have collapsed. Sampling shows the presence of friable asbestos at the properties. The properties pose a threat of asbestos exposure to nearby residents, children and community members. Due to the high unemployment and low income our region, The City of Selfridge cannot afford the cost of the safe removal of the hazardous materials, and we are hopeful that the EPA might have additional resources to be able to help us clean up these hazards.

I have spoken with EPA On - Scene Coordinator Joyce Ackerman, and she believes these properties would be likely candidates for an EPA time - critical removal action.

It is my understanding that the EPA and CDPHE are coordinating on removal actions early in the process, and that the two agencies desire requests for removal actions be made to EPA through the CDPHE Superfund Unit. Accordingly, I am requesting your assistance for these properties in the City of Selfridge.

Please let me know what additional information you need from me. Thank you very much for your assistance.

**Sincerely,**

**Mayor Andrew Deason**